

## PTSA Meeting Minutes February 20, 2017

Present: Deanna Louis, Vicki Meyer, Susan Bloczynski, Jill Plonka, Pam Moser, Julia Schoen, Charlene Layton, Dana Louis, and Kara Steinmetz

The meeting was called to order by President Deanna Louis.

**Secretary Report:** Vicki stated the minutes were not sent out, they will be checked over at next meeting.

**Treasurer's Report:** Susan stated the account is currently at \$9225.80. However, there are still two checks to clear, as well as purchasing the parent/teacher conference food for the teachers. We received a fundraiser check from the Spiritwear for \$905 and a bill of \$28.98 was paid for the Valentine's Treats. Susan stated once the bills are paid and cleared the account will be at approximately \$7663.

**Ithaca Foundation Report/School Store/Fundraising Updates:** Jill stated there was no foundation meeting. The school store made \$226.31 to date and \$2000 in gift cards were donated.

### Old Business:

Valentine's Treats: The bill for these has been paid. The treats were well received by staff.

Payments for plywood, books, and Mrs. Schmitz annual request: These payments have been made.

Million minutes reading program with library payment (\$350): This item has also been paid.

Thank yous: The Tripalins sent a thank you for the financial contribution PTSA made. The Ithaca Staff sent a thank you for the "delicious goodies for Valentine's Day". They appreciated the thoughtful and generous idea, thanking us for all we do for Ithaca School. The Letterman's Club sent a thank you to the PTSA for donating \$100 to the Caps for Causes event. They informed us the event raised close to \$900, a job well done! Savannah Hisel sent the PTSA a thank you note for the financial contribution they made toward her journey with the Women's Wrestling Team of WI. Good luck Savannah!

### New Business:

Funds Request:

1. Dana Louis and Julia Schoen filled out a funds request form. They were present at the meeting and are part of the 4H Horse Project Group. The group is going to be renovating the Ganser Arena at the Richland County Fairgrounds. The money is going toward rebuilding the arena with extra funding going toward bleachers and a crow's nest. Their goal is to raise \$10,000 for this project. Currently the

Fair Improvement Committee has agreed to match \$5,000. This will be a one-time donation. It was mentioned that 33% of the kids belonging to the 4H Horse Project group are from Ithaca schools. The PTSA approved this request in the amount of \$250. (If you would like to "Pledge a Panel" please contact the UW-Extension 4H office or Deanna Louis.)

2. Mrs. Steinmetz was present on behalf of the Playground Improvement Committee. She was requesting funds for playground upgrades. The amount would be approximately \$3,000 yearly for about 4-5 years. There were displays as well as information pamphlets about this project available at the parent/teacher conferences. The PTSA has decided to table this for the next meeting. (If you are interested in donating items or time to this project please contact Mrs. Steinmetz!)
3. Pam Moser presented a funds request form for a project Caden Moser did for Mr. Mani. He bought wood to make jenga pieces for the playground improvement. This is a one-time payment in the amount of \$15.36. The PTSA has approved to reimburse Caden for the \$15.36.
4. A funds request form was submitted by Connie Jump. The request is for money toward a 3D printer for the high school. Mr. Favreau is going to be checking into the exact amount needed. At this time they currently have a \$2,000 grant and are approximating they need \$1,000 more. At this time this is just a heads up for a possible financial need down the road. We are going to table this request for the next meeting.
5. Pam Moser presented a funds request on behalf of herself and Mr. Mezera. The money would be to purchase supplies for a project the special education students are going to be working on. The supplies would total approximately \$12/kid. The PTSA has decided to approve this yearly as long as receipts are handed in, up to the amount of \$132.71.
6. Ms. Durkin filled out a funds request form for \$200 for acrylic paints in order to paint the climbing wall. This is a one-time fund. The PTSA approved this request.
7. Mrs. Pinkstaff filled out a funds request form for 2 hokki wobble chairs that would cost \$240 for the pair. This is a one-time request. The PTSA has approved this request.

Semester Stars: One semester star has been submitted!

Science Fair: The dates for the science fair are: Middle School Wednesday March 22, Elementary School Wednesday April 26. Susan has volunteered to hand out snacks for these events. Deanna is going to buy the snacks and drop them off with Mrs. Willis.

4K Goodie Bags: Jill is going to check the inventory and take care of this item.

Other: Deanna suggested the PTSA send a memorial to the family of Bryan McBain. He passed away recently and his two children attend school here, as well as him having been a student at Ithaca. The PTSA approved this. **See you at the next meeting on Monday March 20<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 in the commons!**